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Indiana's preliminary unemployment rate is 5.1% for March compared to National rate of 6.2%

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Indiana's non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for March is 5.1 percent, one and one-tenths of a percentage point below the national rate of 6.2 percent, Alan D. Degner, Commissioner for the Indiana Department of Workforce Development, announced today. The number of Hoosiers employed during March 2003 was 2,985,100.

Indiana's March unemployment rate was lower than Illinois, 7.0 percent; Michigan, 7.4 percent; Ohio, 6.5 percent; and Kentucky at 6.0 percent.

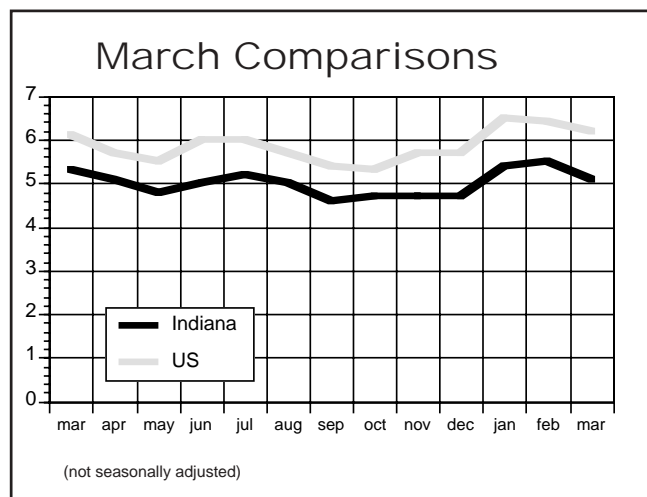
"The economic news for Indiana is mixed for the month of March. We saw a nice gain in construction after a slow winter but the manufacturing sector faced some renewed layoffs," commented Degner.

The monthly survey of 7,500 Hoosier employers reports payroll employment at 2,854,200 a decrease of 10,900 from one year ago and 13,300 more than last month. Payroll employment is an estimate of non-agricultural jobs in Indiana businesses. It differs from labor force employment which is used in the calculation of the unemployment rate by not including the self-employed and agricultural workers. In addition, payroll employment includes all those who work in Indiana, while the unemployment rate is calculated by those who live in Indiana.

Manufacturing employment totals 581,000 in March, a decrease of 4,000 from last year. Motor vehicle manufacturing accounts for 13,600 jobs, 2,400 more than one year ago. Manufacturing of motor vehicle parts totals 81,300. Machinery manufacturing in March accounts for 44,300 Hoosier jobs, 100 more than February.

Construction employment totals 128,200 an increase of 4,300 from last month. Of that, heavy construction reports 12,700 jobs, a decrease of 1,400 from last year.

Service producing employment totals 2,138,000 in March, 1,900 more than last year. Transportation and public utilities total 118,400, 500 less than February.



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Retail trade totals 336,200, 400 more than a year ago. Of that, general merchandise stores report employment of 74,100, or 2,100 less than last year.

Indiana's estimated labor force (the number of people 16 years of age and older who are able and available for work) totals 3,146,400 in March 2003. An estimated 2,985,100 Hoosiers are employed and 161,300 are unemployed.

Indiana's labor force for March 2002 totaled 3,138,900. Hoosiers employed one year ago is estimated at 2,962,900 and March 2002 unemployed in Indiana totaled 176,000. Indiana's estimated unemployment rate one year ago was 5.6 percent, compared with the national unemployment rate of 6.1 percent in March 2002.*

Industry Payroll Employment

Selected Categories	March 2003	Change from Feb. 2003	Change from Mar. 2002
Goods Producing	716,200	+3,400	-12,800
•Construction	128,200	+4,300	-8,800
•Manufacturing	581,000	-1,200	-4,000
Service Producing	2,138,000	+9,900	+1,900
•Retail Trade	336,200	+1,000	+400

*Due to an expansion in the Current Population Survey (CPS), mandated by Congress, estimates for June 2001 (revised) and later at both the state and substate levels may not be fully comparable with those of earlier periods. In analyzing data, be aware that over-the-year comparisons, may differ slightly from comparisons that would have been made using data without the sample expansion. More detailed information can be found at <http://stats.bls.gov/launews1.htm>.

Indiana vs. U.S. Unemployment Rates March 2003

		Not Seasonally Adjusted				Seasonally Adjusted			
		March 2003	February 2003	March 2002		March 2003	February 2003	January 2003	March 2002
INDIANA	Labor Force	3,146,400	3,146,000	3,138,900		3,167,300	3,180,600	3,191,200	3,159,800
	Employed	2,985,100	2,972,800	2,962,900		3,016,900	3,024,600	3,039,200	2,994,400
	Unemployed	161,300	173,200	176,000		150,400	156,000	152,000	165,400
	Rate	5.1	5.5	5.6		4.7	4.9	4.8	5.2
US	Rate	6.2	6.4	6.1		5.8	5.8	5.7	5.7

LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

CPS BENCHMARK: 2002

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EMPLOYMENT BENCHMARK: 2002

THESE ESTIMATES ARE PREPARED IN COOPERATION WITH THE U. S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS (BLS) AND HAVE BEEN ADJUSTED TO THE CURRENT POPULATION SURVEY (CPS) FOR USE IN ALLOCATING FEDERAL FUNDS. BECAUSE OF IRREGULAR FLUCTUATIONS IN MONTH TO MONTH CHANGES, THE READER SHOULD USE CAUTION WHEN VIEWING THESE ESTIMATES AS INDICATORS OF ECONOMIC CHANGE.

AREA	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	RATE	Seasonally Adjusted RATE
U.S.					
March 2003 (Preliminary)	145,801,000	136,783,000	9,018,000	6.2	5.8
February 2003 (Revised)	145,693,000	136,433,000	9,260,000	6.4	5.8
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	144,334,000	135,558,000	8,776,000	6.1	5.7
INDIANA					
March 2003 (Preliminary)	3,146,400	2,985,100	161,300	5.1	4.7
February 2003 (Revised)	3,146,000	2,972,800	173,200	5.5	4.9
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	3,138,900	2,962,900	176,000	5.6	5.2
METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS					
BLOOMINGTON MSA					
March 2003 (Preliminary)	63,530	61,410	2,120	3.3	
February 2003 (Revised)	64,200	61,810	2,390	3.7	
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	63,780	61,510	2,270	3.6	
ELKHART-GOSHEN MSA					
March 2003 (Preliminary)	99,000	94,660	4,340	4.4	
February 2003 (Revised)	98,590	93,910	4,680	4.7	
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	94,570	89,450	5,120	5.4	
EVANSVILLE MSA					
March 2003 (Preliminary)	162,030	155,390	6,640	4.1	
February 2003 (Revised)	162,740	155,560	7,180	4.4	
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	164,810	157,790	7,020	4.3	
HENDERSON CO. KY (EVANSVILLE MSA)					
March 2003 (Preliminary)	23,760	22,520	1,240	5.2	
February 2003 (Revised)	23,820	22,470	1,350	5.7	
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	24,430	22,910	1,520	6.2	
FORT WAYNE MSA					
March 2003 (Preliminary)	269,990	255,870	14,120	5.2	
February 2003 (Revised)	271,090	256,390	14,700	5.4	
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	268,530	253,160	15,370	5.7	
GARY PMSA*					
March 2003 (Preliminary)	297,270	280,410	16,860	5.7	
February 2003 (Revised)	298,950	280,790	18,160	6.1	
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	302,790	279,770	23,020	7.6	
INDIANAPOLIS MSA					
March 2003 (Preliminary)	876,680	835,570	41,110	4.7	
February 2003 (Revised)	877,320	834,380	42,940	4.9	
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	883,480	842,230	41,250	4.7	
KOKOMO MSA					
March 2003 (Preliminary)	50,520	47,720	2,800	5.6	
February 2003 (Revised)	50,800	47,700	3,100	6.1	
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	50,310	47,110	3,200	6.4	
LAFAYETTE MSA					
March 2003 (Preliminary)	95,740	91,870	3,870	4.0	
February 2003 (Revised)	95,680	91,530	4,150	4.3	
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	94,810	91,000	3,810	4.0	
MUNCIE MSA					
March 2003 (Preliminary)	60,960	57,210	3,750	6.1	
February 2003 (Revised)	61,410	57,410	4,000	6.5	
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	61,730	58,200	3,530	5.7	
SOUTH BEND MSA					
March 2003 (Preliminary)	136,720	130,360	6,360	4.7	
February 2003 (Revised)	137,510	130,630	6,880	5.0	
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	135,430	127,710	7,720	5.7	

AREA	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	RATE
TERRE HAUTE MSA				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	70,190	66,190	4,000	5.7
February 2003 (Revised)	70,840	66,330	4,510	6.4
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	70,530	65,700	4,830	6.8
NEW ALBANY AREA (LOUISVILLE MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	123,000	117,590	5,410	4.4
February 2003 (Revised)	123,140	117,190	5,950	4.8
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	122,150	116,180	5,970	4.9
COUNTIES				
ADAMS (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	16,140	15,390	750	4.6
February 2003 (Revised)	16,190	15,420	770	4.7
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	16,070	15,230	840	5.2
ALLEN (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	180,580	171,140	9,440	5.2
February 2003 (Revised)	181,160	171,480	9,680	5.3
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	179,410	169,330	10,080	5.6
BARTHOLOMEW				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	38,230	36,610	1,620	4.2
February 2003 (Revised)	37,770	35,980	1,790	4.7
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	37,650	35,780	1,870	5.0
BENTON				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	4,720	4,450	270	5.7
February 2003 (Revised)	4,700	4,415	285	6.0
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	4,660	4,335	325	7.0
BLACKFORD				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	6,355	5,850	505	8.0
February 2003 (Revised)	6,250	5,685	565	9.0
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	6,185	5,730	455	7.4
BOONE (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	25,580	24,680	900	3.5
February 2003 (Revised)	25,630	24,660	970	3.8
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	25,800	24,890	910	3.5
BROWN				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	8,015	7,525	490	6.1
February 2003 (Revised)	7,955	7,400	555	7.0
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	7,850	7,355	495	6.3
CARROLL				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	12,140	11,570	570	4.7
February 2003 (Revised)	12,010	11,390	620	5.1
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	11,890	11,310	580	4.8
CASS				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	20,060	18,750	1,310	6.5
February 2003 (Revised)	20,030	18,730	1,300	6.5
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	19,670	18,360	1,310	6.6
CLARK (NEW ALBANY AREA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	54,260	51,980	2,280	4.2
February 2003 (Revised)	54,350	51,800	2,550	4.7
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	53,960	51,350	2,610	4.8
CLAY (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	12,480	11,730	750	6.0
February 2003 (Revised)	12,630	11,750	880	7.0
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	12,580	11,640	940	7.5
CLINTON (LAFAYETTE MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	16,570	15,780	790	4.8
February 2003 (Revised)	16,600	15,720	880	5.3
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	16,310	15,630	680	4.2
CRAWFORD				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	5,735	5,285	450	7.8
February 2003 (Revised)	5,710	5,215	495	8.7
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	5,655	5,170	485	8.6

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DAVIESS				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	13,820	13,380	440	3.2
February 2003 (Revised)	13,730	13,190	540	3.9
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	13,680	13,080	600	4.4
DEARBORN (CINCINNATI MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	23,840	22,680	1,160	4.9
February 2003 (Revised)	24,140	22,680	1,460	6.1
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	23,400	22,300	1,100	4.7
DECATUR				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	15,930	15,350	580	3.6
February 2003 (Revised)	15,640	15,020	620	3.9
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	15,540	15,020	520	3.4
DEKALB (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	21,910	20,570	1,340	6.1
February 2003 (Revised)	21,930	20,600	1,330	6.1
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	21,780	20,350	1,430	6.6
DELAWARE (MUNCIE MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	60,960	57,210	3,750	6.1
February 2003 (Revised)	61,410	57,410	4,000	6.5
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	61,730	58,200	3,530	5.7
DUBOIS				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	22,980	22,180	800	3.5
February 2003 (Revised)	22,760	21,880	880	3.8
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	22,490	21,690	800	3.6
ELKHART (ELKHART-GOSHEN)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	99,000	94,660	4,340	4.4
February 2003 (Revised)	98,590	93,910	4,680	4.7
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	94,570	89,450	5,120	5.4
FAYETTE				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	10,310	9,420	890	8.7
February 2003 (Revised)	10,160	9,230	930	9.1
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	10,310	9,230	1,080	10.5
FLOYD (NEW ALBANY AREA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	38,510	37,060	1,450	3.8
February 2003 (Revised)	38,540	36,940	1,600	4.2
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	38,350	36,610	1,740	4.5
FOUNTAIN				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	8,415	7,930	485	5.7
February 2003 (Revised)	8,405	7,905	500	5.9
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	8,455	7,830	625	7.4
FRANKLIN				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	11,830	11,060	770	6.5
February 2003 (Revised)	11,840	10,900	940	7.9
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	11,630	10,820	810	7.0
FULTON				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	9,430	8,665	765	8.1
February 2003 (Revised)	9,285	8,455	830	9.0
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	9,260	8,460	800	8.6
GIBSON				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	19,120	18,510	610	3.2
February 2003 (Revised)	18,730	18,010	720	3.8
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	18,490	17,830	660	3.6
GRANT				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	35,220	32,640	2,580	7.3
February 2003 (Revised)	34,900	32,080	2,820	8.1
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	34,580	32,040	2,540	7.3
GREENE				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	14,080	12,860	1,220	8.6
February 2003 (Revised)	13,950	12,630	1,320	9.5
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	13,790	12,580	1,210	8.8

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HAMILTON (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	109,780	106,820	2,960	2.7
February 2003 (Revised)	109,740	106,660	3,080	2.8
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	110,480	107,670	2,810	2.5
HANCOCK (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	30,800	29,480	1,320	4.3
February 2003 (Revised)	30,910	29,440	1,470	4.7
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	30,930	29,720	1,210	3.9
HARRISON (NEW ALBANY AREA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	18,820	17,970	850	4.5
February 2003 (Revised)	18,880	17,920	960	5.1
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	18,660	17,760	900	4.8
HENDRICKS (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	59,810	57,540	2,270	3.8
February 2003 (Revised)	59,760	57,460	2,300	3.9
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	60,080	58,010	2,070	3.5
HENRY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	23,700	22,310	1,390	5.8
February 2003 (Revised)	23,580	22,160	1,420	6.0
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	23,390	21,860	1,530	6.5
HOWARD (KOKOMO MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	41,980	39,600	2,380	5.7
February 2003 (Revised)	42,210	39,590	2,620	6.2
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	41,800	39,100	2,700	6.5
HUNTINGTON (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	20,240	19,160	1,080	5.3
February 2003 (Revised)	20,510	19,200	1,310	6.4
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	20,130	18,960	1,170	5.8
JACKSON				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	22,140	21,150	990	4.5
February 2003 (Revised)	22,180	21,050	1,130	5.1
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	21,810	20,710	1,100	5.0
JASPER				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	14,550	13,620	930	6.4
February 2003 (Revised)	14,520	13,450	1,070	7.4
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	14,470	13,300	1,170	8.1
JAY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	10,740	9,820	920	8.5
February 2003 (Revised)	10,820	9,780	1,040	9.6
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	10,330	9,620	710	6.9
JEFFERSON				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	14,200	13,420	780	5.5
February 2003 (Revised)	13,940	13,090	850	6.1
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	14,030	13,130	900	6.4
JENNINGS				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	14,150	13,230	920	6.5
February 2003 (Revised)	14,070	13,000	1,070	7.6
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	13,980	12,920	1,060	7.6
JOHNSON (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	65,130	62,670	2,460	3.8
February 2003 (Revised)	65,190	62,580	2,610	4.0
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	65,660	63,170	2,490	3.8
KNOX				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	19,100	18,410	690	3.6
February 2003 (Revised)	18,840	18,050	790	4.2
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	18,680	17,980	700	3.7
KOSCIUSKO				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	39,780	37,830	1,950	4.9
February 2003 (Revised)	38,960	37,050	1,910	4.9
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	39,210	37,060	2,150	5.5

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LAGRANGE				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	16,290	15,490	800	4.9
February 2003 (Revised)	15,930	15,150	780	4.9
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	16,070	15,110	960	6.0
LAKE (GARY PMSA)*				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	222,140	208,850	13,290	6.0
February 2003 (Revised)	223,310	209,130	14,180	6.3
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	226,590	208,360	18,230	8.0
LA PORTE				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	55,420	51,660	3,760	6.8
February 2003 (Revised)	54,960	50,780	4,180	7.6
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	54,850	50,680	4,170	7.6
LAWRENCE				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	22,580	20,820	1,760	7.8
February 2003 (Revised)	22,490	20,510	1,980	8.8
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	22,490	20,400	2,090	9.3
MADISON (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	64,560	60,770	3,790	5.9
February 2003 (Revised)	64,700	60,690	4,010	6.2
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	65,320	61,260	4,060	6.2
MARION (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	462,430	438,190	24,240	5.2
February 2003 (Revised)	462,750	437,560	25,190	5.4
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	466,150	441,670	24,480	5.3
MARSHALL				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	23,460	22,110	1,350	5.8
February 2003 (Revised)	23,130	21,680	1,450	6.3
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	22,860	21,620	1,240	5.4
MARTIN				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	5,075	4,845	230	4.5
February 2003 (Revised)	5,060	4,780	280	5.5
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	5,035	4,740	295	5.9
MIAMI				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	16,420	14,970	1,450	8.8
February 2003 (Revised)	16,250	14,670	1,580	9.7
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	15,740	14,660	1,080	6.8
MONROE (BLOOMINGTON MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	63,530	61,410	2,120	3.3
February 2003 (Revised)	64,200	61,810	2,390	3.7
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	63,780	61,510	2,270	3.6
MONTGOMERY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	17,410	16,740	670	3.9
February 2003 (Revised)	17,290	16,570	720	4.2
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	17,160	16,380	780	4.5
MORGAN (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	35,520	33,620	1,900	5.3
February 2003 (Revised)	35,550	33,580	1,970	5.5
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	35,920	33,890	2,030	5.6
NEWTON				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	6,305	5,890	415	6.6
February 2003 (Revised)	6,200	5,740	460	7.4
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	6,235	5,745	490	7.8
NOBLE				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	23,830	22,300	1,530	6.4
February 2003 (Revised)	23,680	22,110	1,570	6.6
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	23,600	21,860	1,740	7.4
OHIO (CINCINNATI MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	2,860	2,735	125	4.3
February 2003 (Revised)	2,880	2,740	140	4.9
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	2,795	2,690	105	3.7

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ORANGE				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	8,285	7,455	830	10.0
February 2003 (Revised)	8,530	7,640	890	10.4
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	8,235	7,280	955	11.6
OWEN				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	11,820	11,100	720	6.1
February 2003 (Revised)	11,730	10,950	780	6.6
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	11,550	10,840	710	6.1
PARKE				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	7,315	6,860	455	6.2
February 2003 (Revised)	7,200	6,715	485	6.7
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	7,160	6,680	480	6.7
PERRY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	9,250	8,745	505	5.5
February 2003 (Revised)	9,190	8,595	595	6.5
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	9,165	8,735	430	4.7
PIKE				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	6,300	5,990	310	4.9
February 2003 (Revised)	6,250	5,910	340	5.4
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	6,145	5,855	290	4.7
PORTER (GARY PMSA)*				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	75,130	71,560	3,570	4.8
February 2003 (Revised)	75,640	71,660	3,980	5.3
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	76,190	71,390	4,800	6.3
POSEY (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	14,460	13,910	550	3.8
February 2003 (Revised)	14,520	13,930	590	4.0
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	14,650	14,130	520	3.6
PULASKI				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	5,775	5,360	415	7.1
February 2003 (Revised)	5,700	5,235	465	8.2
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	5,705	5,230	475	8.3
PUTNAM				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	17,080	16,330	750	4.4
February 2003 (Revised)	17,200	16,310	890	5.2
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	16,790	15,990	800	4.8
RANDOLPH				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	11,960	10,940	1,020	8.5
February 2003 (Revised)	11,930	10,840	1,090	9.1
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	11,500	10,710	790	6.9
RIPLEY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	13,970	13,270	700	5.0
February 2003 (Revised)	13,920	13,090	830	5.9
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	13,680	12,980	700	5.1
RUSH				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	9,600	9,115	485	5.1
February 2003 (Revised)	9,395	8,910	485	5.2
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	9,335	8,895	440	4.7
SAINT JOSEPH (SOUTH BEND MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	136,720	130,360	6,360	4.7
February 2003 (Revised)	137,510	130,630	6,880	5.0
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	135,430	127,710	7,720	5.7
SCOTT (NEW ALBANY AREA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	11,400	10,570	830	7.3
February 2003 (Revised)	11,370	10,530	840	7.4
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	11,170	10,440	730	6.5
SHELBY (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	23,070	21,790	1,280	5.6
February 2003 (Revised)	23,090	21,750	1,340	5.8
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	23,150	21,960	1,190	5.1

AREA	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	RATE
SPENCER				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	10,630	10,060	570	5.3
February 2003 (Revised)	10,610	9,930	680	6.4
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	10,330	9,840	490	4.8
STARKE				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	9,555	8,760	795	8.3
February 2003 (Revised)	9,490	8,590	900	9.5
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	9,635	8,570	1,065	11.1
STEUBEN				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	16,050	14,850	1,200	7.5
February 2003 (Revised)	15,920	14,680	1,240	7.8
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	15,760	14,550	1,210	7.7
SULLIVAN				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	9,425	8,850	575	6.1
February 2003 (Revised)	9,340	8,730	610	6.5
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	9,200	8,655	545	5.9
SWITZERLAND				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	3,785	3,560	225	5.9
February 2003 (Revised)	3,745	3,475	270	7.2
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	3,795	3,465	330	8.7
TIPPECANOE (LAFAYETTE MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	79,170	76,090	3,080	3.9
February 2003 (Revised)	79,080	75,810	3,270	4.1
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	78,500	75,370	3,130	4.0
TIPTON (KOKOMO MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	8,535	8,115	420	4.9
February 2003 (Revised)	8,590	8,110	480	5.6
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	8,505	8,010	495	5.8
UNION				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	3,800	3,615	185	4.8
February 2003 (Revised)	3,760	3,555	205	5.5
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	3,775	3,545	230	6.1
VANDEBURGH (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	93,910	90,170	3,740	4.0
February 2003 (Revised)	94,320	90,320	4,000	4.2
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	95,460	91,550	3,910	4.1
VERMILLION (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	7,650	7,135	515	6.8
February 2003 (Revised)	7,730	7,145	585	7.6
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	7,645	7,080	565	7.4
VIGO (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	50,070	47,330	2,740	5.5
February 2003 (Revised)	50,470	47,430	3,040	6.0
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	50,310	46,990	3,320	6.6
WABASH				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	17,080	16,200	880	5.1
February 2003 (Revised)	16,860	15,920	940	5.6
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	16,980	15,870	1,110	6.6
WARREN				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	4,100	3,875	225	5.5
February 2003 (Revised)	4,090	3,865	225	5.5
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	4,080	3,825	255	6.3
WARRICK (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	29,890	28,780	1,110	3.7
February 2003 (Revised)	30,080	28,830	1,250	4.2
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	30,280	29,220	1,060	3.5
WASHINGTON				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	11,630	10,740	890	7.6
February 2003 (Revised)	11,500	10,570	930	8.1
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	11,480	10,510	970	8.5

AREA	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	RATE
WAYNE				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	36,830	34,550	2,280	6.2
February 2003 (Revised)	36,460	33,950	2,510	6.9
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	36,290	33,840	2,450	6.8
WELLS (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	14,580	14,000	580	4.0
February 2003 (Revised)	14,650	14,020	630	4.3
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	14,650	13,840	810	5.5
WHITE				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	12,040	11,030	1,010	8.3
February 2003 (Revised)	11,990	10,960	1,030	8.6
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	11,890	10,780	1,110	9.3
WHITLEY (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	16,550	15,620	930	5.6
February 2003 (Revised)	16,650	15,650	1,000	6.0
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	16,500	15,460	1,040	6.3
CITIES (Population over 25,000)				
ANDERSON CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	29,350	27,180	2,170	7.4
February 2003 (Revised)	29,440	27,140	2,300	7.8
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	29,730	27,400	2,330	7.8
BLOOMINGTON CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	33,170	31,810	1,360	4.1
February 2003 (Revised)	33,550	32,020	1,530	4.6
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	33,320	31,870	1,450	4.4
CARMEL CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	25,430	24,830	600	2.4
February 2003 (Revised)	25,420	24,790	630	2.5
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	25,600	25,030	570	2.2
COLUMBUS CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	18,810	17,940	870	4.6
February 2003 (Revised)	18,590	17,630	960	5.2
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	18,540	17,530	1,010	5.4
EAST CHICAGO CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	13,090	11,760	1,330	10.1
February 2003 (Revised)	13,200	11,780	1,420	10.7
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	13,560	11,740	1,820	13.4
ELKHART CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	27,320	25,720	1,600	5.9
February 2003 (Revised)	27,240	25,510	1,730	6.3
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	26,190	24,300	1,890	7.2
EVANSVILLE CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	70,370	67,180	3,190	4.5
February 2003 (Revised)	70,700	67,290	3,410	4.8
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	71,540	68,200	3,340	4.7
FISHERS TOWN				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	18,670	18,470	200	1.1
February 2003 (Revised)	18,660	18,450	210	1.1
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	18,810	18,620	190	1.0
FORT WAYNE CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	102,190	95,560	6,630	6.5
February 2003 (Revised)	102,550	95,750	6,800	6.6
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	101,630	94,550	7,080	7.0
GARY CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	46,070	40,560	5,510	12.0
February 2003 (Revised)	46,500	40,620	5,880	12.6
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	48,020	40,470	7,550	15.7
GOSHEN CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	15,020	14,410	610	4.0
February 2003 (Revised)	14,960	14,310	650	4.4
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	14,340	13,620	720	5.0

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GREENWOOD CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	20,540	19,980	560	2.7
February 2003 (Revised)	20,550	19,960	590	2.9
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	20,710	20,140	570	2.7
HAMMOND CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	39,060	36,620	2,440	6.2
February 2003 (Revised)	39,270	36,670	2,600	6.6
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	39,880	36,530	3,350	8.4
HIGHLAND CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	12,520	12,210	310	2.5
February 2003 (Revised)	12,560	12,230	330	2.7
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	12,610	12,180	430	3.4
HOBART CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	11,060	10,690	370	3.4
February 2003 (Revised)	11,100	10,700	400	3.6
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	11,170	10,660	510	4.5
INDIANAPOLIS CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	424,260	401,470	22,790	5.4
February 2003 (Revised)	424,580	400,900	23,680	5.6
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	427,680	404,670	23,010	5.4
JEFFERSONVILLE CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	13,230	12,610	620	4.7
February 2003 (Revised)	13,260	12,560	700	5.3
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	13,160	12,450	710	5.4
KOKOMO CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	22,580	21,010	1,570	6.9
February 2003 (Revised)	22,730	21,010	1,720	7.6
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	22,520	20,740	1,780	7.9
LAFAYETTE CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	28,100	27,030	1,070	3.8
February 2003 (Revised)	28,070	26,940	1,130	4.0
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	27,860	26,770	1,090	3.9
LAWRENCE TOWN				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	15,710	14,960	750	4.8
February 2003 (Revised)	15,720	14,940	780	5.0
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	15,840	15,080	760	4.8
MARION CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	14,630	13,140	1,490	10.2
February 2003 (Revised)	14,540	12,910	1,630	11.2
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	14,360	12,890	1,470	10.2
MERRILLVILLE TOWN				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	14,080	13,680	400	2.9
February 2003 (Revised)	14,130	13,700	430	3.0
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	14,200	13,650	550	3.9
MICHIGAN CITY CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	17,190	15,590	1,600	9.3
February 2003 (Revised)	17,110	15,330	1,780	10.4
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	17,070	15,300	1,770	10.4
MISHAWAKA CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	24,950	23,840	1,110	4.4
February 2003 (Revised)	25,090	23,890	1,200	4.8
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	24,700	23,350	1,350	5.5
MUNCIE CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	35,110	32,370	2,740	7.8
February 2003 (Revised)	35,400	32,470	2,930	8.3
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	35,510	32,930	2,580	7.3
NEW ALBANY CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	21,110	20,150	960	4.5
February 2003 (Revised)	21,140	20,080	1,060	5.0
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	21,050	19,900	1,150	5.4

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NOBLESVILLE CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	17,260	16,750	510	2.9
February 2003 (Revised)	17,260	16,730	530	3.1
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	17,370	16,890	480	2.8
PORTAGE CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	16,220	15,230	990	6.1
February 2003 (Revised)	16,360	15,260	1,100	6.7
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	16,530	15,200	1,330	8.0
RICHMOND CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	19,180	17,780	1,400	7.3
February 2003 (Revised)	19,010	17,470	1,540	8.1
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	18,920	17,420	1,500	7.9
SOUTH BEND CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	56,480	52,860	3,620	6.4
February 2003 (Revised)	56,890	52,970	3,920	6.9
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	56,180	51,790	4,390	7.8
TERRE HAUTE CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	25,500	23,790	1,710	6.7
February 2003 (Revised)	25,740	23,850	1,890	7.4
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	25,690	23,620	2,070	8.0
VALPARAISO CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	14,390	13,860	530	3.7
February 2003 (Revised)	14,470	13,870	600	4.1
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	14,540	13,820	720	4.9
WEST LAFAYETTE CITY				
March 2003 (Preliminary)	14,890	14,140	750	5.0
February 2003 (Revised)	14,880	14,090	790	5.3
March 2002 (Benchmarked)	14,770	14,010	760	5.1

NOTES: 1) UNEMPLOYMENT RATES ARE COMPUTED FROM UNROUNDED DATA.
2) COUNTY DATA MAY NOT ADD TO TOTALS DUE TO ROUNDING.
3) AN EXPLANATION OF METHODOLOGY IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.
4) PRELIMINARY DATA WILL BE REVISED THE FOLLOWING MONTH.

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FOR MARCH 2003 (PRELIMINARY)

PREPARED MAY 13, 2003

RANK	AREA	RATE	RANK	AREA	RATE
1	ORANGE	10.0	47	WARREN	5.5
2	MIAMI	8.8	48	HUNTINGTON	5.3
3	FAYETTE	8.7	49	MORGAN	5.3
4	GREENE	8.6	50	SPENCER	5.3
5	JAY	8.5	51	ALLEN	5.2
6	RANDOLPH	8.5	52	MARION	5.2
7	STARKE	8.3	53	RUSH	5.1
8	WHITE	8.3	54	WABASH	5.1
9	FULTON	8.1	55	RIPLEY	5.0
10	BLACKFORD	8.0	56	DEARBORN	4.9
11	CRAWFORD	7.8	57	KOSCIUSKO	4.9
12	LAWRENCE	7.8	58	LAGRANGE	4.9
13	WASHINGTON	7.6	59	PIKE	4.9
14	STEBEN	7.5	60	TIPTON	4.9
15	GRANT	7.3	61	CLINTON	4.8
16	SCOTT	7.3	62	PORTER	4.8
17	PULASKI	7.1	63	UNION	4.8
18	LAPORTE	6.8	64	CARROLL	4.7
19	VERMILLION	6.8	65	SAINT JOSEPH	4.7
20	NEWTON	6.6	66	ADAMS	4.6
21	CASS	6.5	67	HARRISON	4.5
22	FRANKLIN	6.5	68	JACKSON	4.5
23	JENNINGS	6.5	69	MARTIN	4.5
24	JASPER	6.4	70	ELKHART	4.4
25	NOBLE	6.4	71	PUTNAM	4.4
26	PARKE	6.2	72	HANCOCK	4.3
27	WAYNE	6.2	73	OHIO	4.3
28	BROWN	6.1	74	BARTHOLOMEW	4.2
29	DEKALB	6.1	75	CLARK	4.2
30	DELAWARE	6.1	76	VANDEBURGH	4.0
31	OWEN	6.1	77	WELLS	4.0
32	SULLIVAN	6.1	78	MONTGOMERY	3.9
33	CLAY	6.0	79	TIPPECANOE	3.9
34	LAKE	6.0	80	FLOYD	3.8
35	MADISON	5.9	81	HENDRICKS	3.8
36	SWITZERLAND	5.9	82	JOHNSON	3.8
37	HENRY	5.8	83	POSEY	3.8
38	MARSHALL	5.8	84	WARRICK	3.7
39	BENTON	5.7	85	DECATUR	3.6
40	FOUNTAIN	5.7	86	KNOX	3.6
41	HOWARD	5.7	87	BOONE	3.5
42	SHELBY	5.6	88	DUBOIS	3.5
43	WHITLEY	5.6	89	MONROE	3.3
44	JEFFERSON	5.5	90	DAVIESS	3.2
45	PERRY	5.5	91	GIBSON	3.2
46	VIGO	5.5	92	HAMILTON	2.7
				INDIANA	5.1

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6	RANDOLPH	8.5	52	MARION	5.2
7	STARKE	8.3	53	RUSH	5.1
8	WHITE	8.3	54	WABASH	5.1
9	FULTON	8.1	55	RIPLEY	5.0
10	BLACKFORD	8.0	56	DEARBORN	4.9
11	CRAWFORD	7.8	57	KOSCIUSKO	4.9
12	LAWRENCE	7.8	58	LAGRANGE	4.9
13	WASHINGTON	7.6	59	PIKE	4.9
14	STEUBEN	7.5	60	TIPTON	4.9
15	GRANT	7.3	61	CLINTON	4.8
16	SCOTT	7.3	62	PORTER	4.8
17	PULASKI	7.1	63	UNION	4.8
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28	BROWN	6.1	74	BARTHOLOMEW	4.2
29	DEKALB	6.1	75	CLARK	4.2
30	DELAWARE	6.1	76	VANDEBURGH	4.0
31	OWEN	6.1	77	WELLS	4.0
32	SULLIVAN	6.1	78	MONTGOMERY	3.9
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44	JEFFERSON	5.5	90	DAVISS	3.2
45	PERRY	5.5	91	GIBSON	3.2
46	VIGO	5.5	92	HAMILTON	2.7
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